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Via: 70861-24181477@requests.muckrock.com
Ms. Beryl Lipton
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Re: FOIA No.: 820-2019-000294

Dear Ms. Lipton:

Your request under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), 5 U.S.C. § 552, received by the Office of Legal Counsel on March 25, 2019, is assigned to the [] Simple [X] Complex [] Expedited track with the above FOIA number. It will be processed by **Rhonda Durham** who can be reached at (202) 663-4500.

[X] EEOC will make every effort to issue a determination on your request on or before May 06, 2019. FOIA and EEOC regulations provide 20 working days to issue a determination on a request, not including Saturdays, Sundays and federal holidays. In *unusual circumstances*, EEOC may extend the 20 working days by 10 additional working days or stop processing your request until you respond to our request for fee or clarifying information. Should EEOC take an extension or stop processing your request, notice will be issued prior to the expiration of the 20 working days.

[X] EEOC will make every effort to issue a determination on your request on or before May 06, 2019. FOIA and EEOC regulations, at 29 C.F.R. § 1610.9(d), provide 20 working days to issue a determination on a request, not including Saturdays, Sundays and federal holidays. As provided in 5 U.S.C. § 552(a)(6)(B) (2016), due to *unusual circumstances* we hereby provide you with the required written notice that we are extending by ten (10) working days the time in which we shall respond based upon:

- [X] the need to search for and collect the requested records, if any exist, from field offices or other establishments that are separate from this office;
- [X] the need to search for, collect, and appropriately examine a voluminous amount of separate and distinct records which are demanded in a single request; or

You may contact the FOIA Requester Service Center for status updates on your FOIA request or for FOIA information toll free at (877) 869-1802, or our non-toll free number 202-663-4634, or by e-mail to FOIA@eeoc.gov, or by facsimile to (202) 653-6056, or by mail to our office address in the letterhead above. Additionally, if your request was filed online through the FOIAxpress Public Access Link (PAL), you may monitor its status at <https://publicportalfoiopal.eeoc.gov>. You may also contact the EEOC FOIA Public Liaison, Stephanie D. Garner, for assistance.

Sincerely,

Joy Shealey/for

Stephanie D. Garner
Assistant Legal Counsel

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